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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair Committee on Appropriations, U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations, U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Mill Park Elementary School Seismic Rehabilitation Project, Portland, OR in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is David Douglas School District 40 located at 11300 NE Halsey St, Portland, Oregon 97220. The funding would be used to seismically retrofit Mill Park Elementary School.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project will reduce the likelihood of death or injury in the event of an earthquake. Without the seismic retrofit, costs to taxpayers would be catastrophic and include emergency room visits, interruption of school operations, and interruption of the workforce for both staff, parents and caregivers.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 203 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5133), as amended by Section 1234, National Public Infrastructure Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation, of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Earl Blumenauer Member of Congress